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IT MUST be that Esterhazy is innocent because Dreyfus is a Jew.

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THE MAN in the Klondike who is claimed by four women would perhaps be happy if he were not dead.

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THE FACT that Peary lost seven toes shows that he was reduced to great, or rather to three extremities.

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THE PRICE of the governorship of Ohio varies, but John R. McLean will find that it is mighty high this year.

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THE MAN of Kansas city who wants to fight a duel with Esterhazy is certainly honest. If he were a Frenchman he would be apt to shoot him in the back.

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IT MUST be admitted that, while the French people do not revolute as often as they threaten, they talk about it with more frequency and fervency than ever before.

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THE SITUATION as between Bull and Krüger is this. The former, at the head of the stream, has had to drink water previously soiled by the latter at the foot of the same.

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THEY TELL of a Kansas soldier who, returning from the Philippines, ate a pie six feet long and four feet wide; but, oddly enough, there are no particulars as to the funeral.

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THE NEW CHIEF of the Winnebagoes is an Irishman. Any place is open to Irishmen except the queenships of England and Holland, and presently they will reach out for them, too.

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THE MEANEST LIE of the war correspondents is the statement that Otis's health is breaking down under their criticisms. Perhaps he wasn't brought up in the woods to be scared by owls.

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A MAN in St. Louis bit a girl on the cheek till the blood came, and now she is being doctored for blood-poisoning. He was trying to kiss her. Such a man as that would eat soup with a knife.

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THE OLYMPIA must have an L added to it to accommodate the volume of clippings compiled for Admiral Dewey by Henry Romeike. Congress may object to the expense, but necessity knows none of its laws.

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DOCTOR SCHURMAN says there are sixty tribes of the Filipinos, all speaking different languages. A congress of these people would be as interesting as a session of the Austrian parliament or a Democratic caucus in a state of excitement in this town.

A QUERY.

FARMER MEADOWGRASS—"I've been out sowing timothy."
SUMMER BOARDER—"Ah! Which of your boys is Timothy, and why don't your wife do the sewing?"

A DEFENSIVE MEASURE.

THE GOVERNMENT of England requests the officers of its army to raise mustaches. That is a pretty good war measure. It is not wise to let the enemy see whether its opponent is able to carry a stiff upper lip.

PRAYER IN SCIENTIFIC MATTERS.

A PUGILIST says he was helped to win in a recent fistic discussion by the knowledge that his wife's dark-brown eyes were watching him and her lips were praying that he might win. Possibly the prayers of the wife of the other man were even more effusive and numerous, but prayers are never a sure thing in cases of prize-fight.

JUSTICE FOR WOMEN.

MISSOURI has an association, without a woman in it, whose purpose it is to compel employers to pay the same wages to women that are paid men for the same kind of work. Here is another evidence of the magnificent generosity and unselfishness of man; and yet there are women who never get near that person without wanting to bite him.

NOT SO.

THE STORY that it is Russia that is hindering the settlement of the Alaska dispute gives Russia credit for an influence that she wouldn't have if she could get it for nothing. Isn't she meddling with the South African trouble and the Philippines unpleasantness, too? Possibly she has a few troubles of her own.

MR. REED'S LIBERTY.

ONE PAPER condemns Thomas B. Reed as an ungrateful wretch for having resigned his seat in the house for the money that work in a lawyer's office will bring him. Yet this is a free country, even for office-holders; and it is still true that it is every man's privilege to have life and liberty and the right to pursue the lucre that we all want to clutch.

IT WILL BE THERE.

TRUSTS AND IMPERIALISM may have the leading place on the Democratic national platform, but the money business will still be there. It is encouraging to believe that the platform-makers will be somewhat afraid of it; but to put it behind the veil will not eliminate it, and it is a fact that a vast majority of the Democracy believe in it and will upset values with it if they ever get a chance.

IDIOTIC TREACHERY.

THE EFFORT of the *World* to steal Dewey and make him the Democratic candidate for president is treachery to Bryan, to Miles, and to the Democratic platform as it is going to be constructed. Worse than that, it is idiotic, for Dewey is not to be hooked. And as the father of imperialism—for did he not start the whole business?—how absurd he would be as the Democratic standard-bearer.

COARSE WORDS.

IT IS PROPOSED to eliminate the words nigger and dago from the American vocabulary. They are vulgar, and the person who uses them invites criticism of himself that ought to be painful. But, whatever the Italian may do about the opprobrious term applied to him, it will be a long time before the black man ceases to use the word nigger in connection with himself and most of his brethren and sisters.

A REMEDY FOR LYNCHING.

THE WIDOW of a black man lynched by white men has sued in the United States courts for heavy damages, and will surely win her case if she establishes the identity of the lynchers or any of them. Her suit is brought against the sheriff of the county and citizens of the town in which the lynching occurred. Here is a remedy for lynching which ought to be effective. Make the tax-payers pay the penalty and in time the villainy will cease.

THE SOUTHERN ACCENT.

"SPEAKING of the soft southern accent," remarked a philologist of Washington, D. C., "there's a girl at my house who comes from Mississippi, where the accent aforesaid is found in its most pronounced form, so to speak. This young woman, charming and accomplished as all southern girls are, is proud of her nativity, but contends that the fun we poke at her now and then on account of her manner of speech is entirely uncalled for, because she talks exactly as everybody else in Washington does. Not long ago one of my daughters found in *St. Nicholas* a little verse by Carolyn Wells which read as follows:

'There's a train at 4:04,"
said Miss Jenny;
"Four tickets I'll take.
Have you any?"
Said the man at the door,
"Not four for 4:04,
For four for 4:04 is too many."

And in the evening when the family circle had gathered after dinner she brought out the verse and handed it over to me to submit to the fair Mississippienne for her reading aloud as a test of accent before the assembled critics.

"Well, she just jumped at the chance to prove her contention, and taking the book from me eagerly she posed delightfully under the shaded lamp-light and in the most musical voice anybody ever heard anywhere she read the verselet off in this wise:

'"There's a train at fo' fo'," said Miss Jenny;
"Fo' tickets I'll take. Have you any?"
Said the man at the do',
"Not fo' for fo' fo',
For fo' for fo' fo' is too many,"'

and then she triumphantly asked if there was anything the matter with that. There wasn't, of course, and everybody said so with a cheerful ha-ha."

W. J. LAMPTON.

A CASE IN POINT.

MAMMA (*to Maud*)—"Do you realize that this year your golfing amounted to more than our groceries?"
MAUD—"Well, I've always contended that necessities cost more than luxuries."

THE RECORD.

HAIR turning white in
one short night
Can hardly now be
in it;
Because Belinda turned
my head
In just a half a minute.

WHY, INDEED?

Mrs. B. (Christian scientist)—"Well, Susan, how do you feel this evening?"

Susan—"I's had a hard day's washin', missus, and I feels berry tired."

Mrs. B.—"Oh, Susan, you are not tired; you only think you are tired. You know the Lord never gets tired."

Susan—"Don't know 'bout dat, missus. If de Lord nebber got tired I'd like to know why he rested on de sebenth day?"

A MINISTER is a moral policeman.

PARENTAL DEVELOPMENT.

MRS. ISAACS—"You say you are licking little Shakey because you caught him in a lie?"
MR. ISAACS—"Yes! I vill teach him to lie better dan dot eef I haff to break effery bone in hees body."

POACHING ON HER PRESERVES.

JUDGE'S FAVORITES.

MRS. ANNIE YEAMANS IN "WHY SMITH LEFT HOME."

A good cha-*rack*-ter you have won,
Lavinia, and we like your cooking.
Where could we find another one
So sober, steady, and good-looking?
Smith never need, while you remain,
Have reason to leave home again.

THE WISE PLAN.

"THE Filipino insurrection is bound to be crushed," said Cumso.

"It is," added Cawker. "Aguinaldo ought to surrender early and avoid the crush."

WE ALL KNOW HIM.

Friend—"Why are you reducing the wages of your employés?'

Philanthropic manufacturer—"I need the money just now. This is the time of year I make my annual bequests to charity."

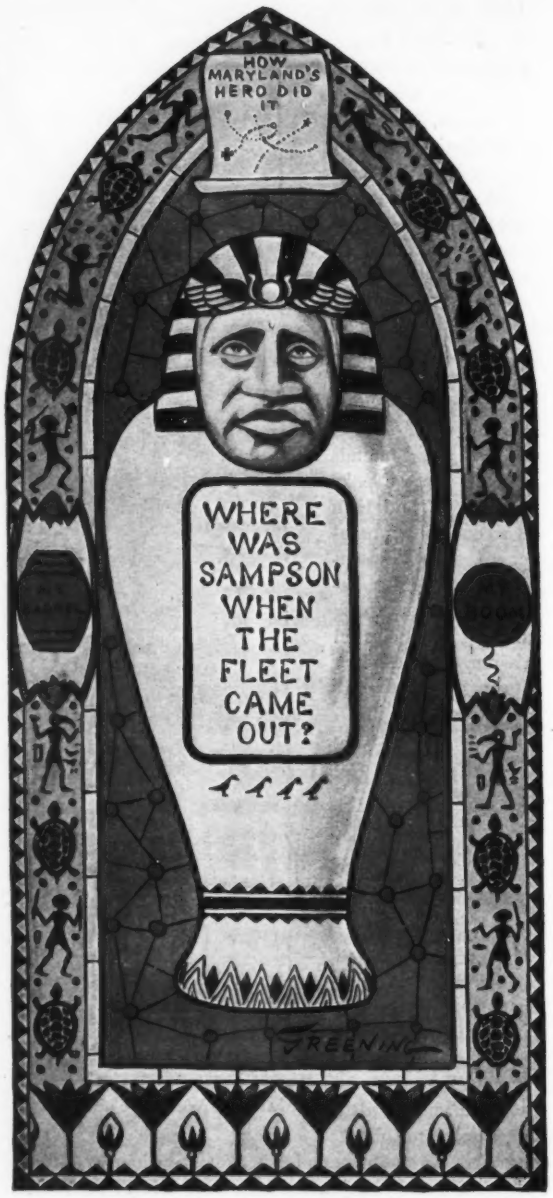
POOR HUMAN NATURE.

WHEN we at last succeed
For self we credit claim;
But when we fail indeed
Our luck gets all the blame.

HOW IT HAPPENED.

Rural customer (indignantly)—"Looky here! You warranted these 'ere pants not to shrink, an' now look at 'em—they are durn near a foot too short for me."

Grabbenheimer—"Doze pandts haf not shrunk, mein friendt; you haf had your legs pulled."



VI.—A DEAD ONE—(GORMAN OF MARYLAND).

JUDGE's design for stained-glass windows to be placed in the national museum at Washington, D. C.

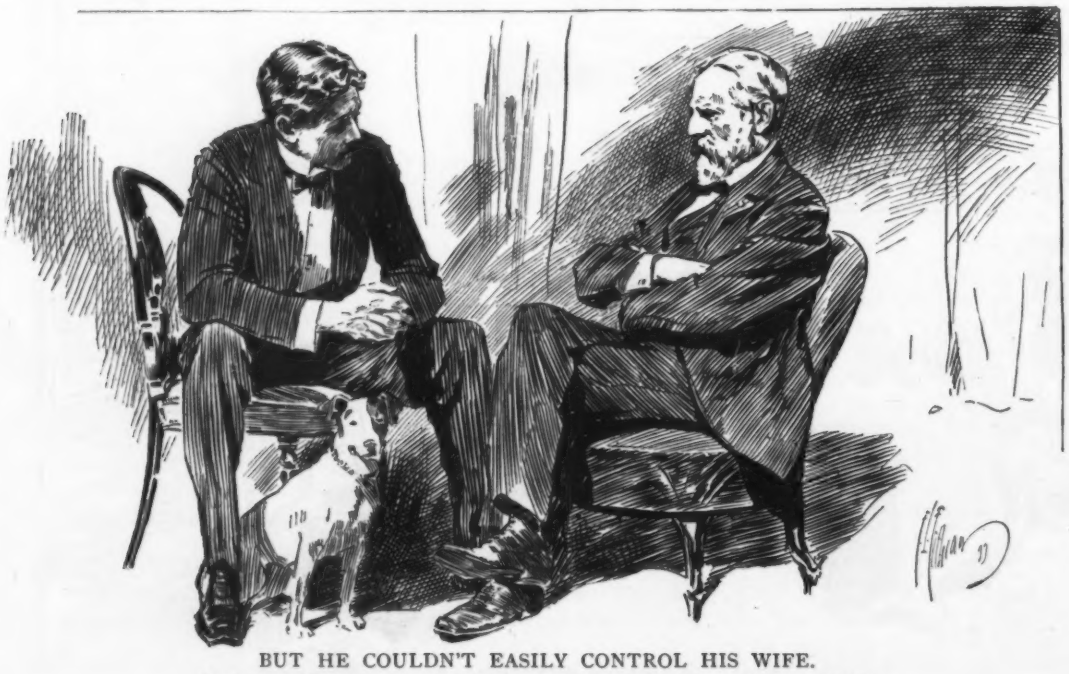
THE HUSKING-BEE.

THE sumac clumps were steeped in red
As bright as sunset skies,
O'er maple-leaves Jack Frost had spread
A blend of varied dyes;
The corn-stalks in the field looked drear,
From blades and tassels free,
When neighbors came from far and near
To Abner's husking-bee.

The granaries, though wide and high,
Were filled with magic yields
Of golden grain, stored safe and dry,
The fruit of fallow fields;
And bashful swains with country maids
Stripped husks in gladsome glee—
Red ears betimes caused kissing raids
At Abner's husking-bee.

Then when the evening's task was through
The country fiddler rose
And played a dancing tune or two
That tingled cramping toes;
They coupled off for "Money Musk"
And danced till hours wee,
Then drove home in the morning's dusk
From Abner's husking-bee.

ROY FARRELL GREENE.



BUT HE COULDN'T EASILY CONTROL HIS WIFE.

HEWITT—"I hear that you have named your new automobile after your wife?"
JEWETT—"Yes, but I have changed the name."
HEWITT—"What for?"
JEWETT—"I found it was easy to run an automobile."

TEARS.

THROUGH centuries of losses,
Since Eden's happy years,
Old earth has kept and cherished
Her priceless gift of tears.

We sigh for those in sorrow,
Where laughter ever sleeps;
But God, in mercy, pity
The heart that never weeps.

EMMA C. DOWD.

THE INFANTILE WAY.

Young mother—"Oh, dear! I wonder what the baby is crying for now? We have given him everything he seemed to want."

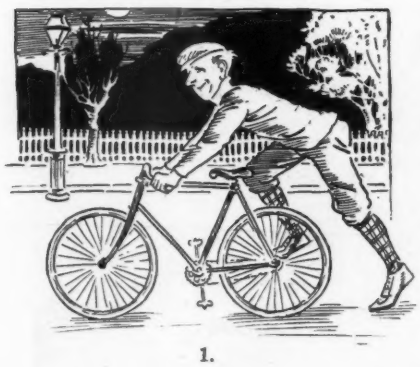
Young father (grimly)—"I guess he is crying for something to cry for."

HER SUBTERFUGE.

"DEAR me!" exclaimed Mrs. Newcomb, greatly troubled, "some one has broken my new Dresden vase. I wonder if Dorothy did it."

Dorothy (confidentially to her doll)—"Isn't it fortunate now, dolly, that mamma has always insisted upon little girls being seen, not heard?"

AN ILLUSTRATED DESCRIPTION OF A FIRST ATTEMPT TO RIDE A BICYCLE.



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THE GREATER LUNATIC.

"DOCTOR," said one of the under physicians, addressing the superintendent of the insane-asylum, "there are two puzzling cases down in the waiting-room. They are brothers, John and Isaac Sawney by name, and each claims that the other is crazy, and that he himself is perfectly sane and has brought his brother here for treatment. John is the victim of the hallucination that he has a glass nose and that the slightest draft of cold air will crack that useful organ. He thinks, too, that he is seven hundred years old, and in addition to this he has paroxysms every few minutes, during which he is unable to talk lucidly, but rolls his eyes wildly and gabbles a continuous stream of gibberish. On the other hand, Isaac talks very intelligently about his belief that William Jennings Bryan will be elected to the presidency. Of course it is evident which is the lunatic; but as they both insist that the other"——

"Put 'em both in!" promptly interrupted the superintendent, who was a sage. "Give John every comfort at our command. We can make a fortune out of his affliction by having him suggest fool-names for sleeping-cars and race-horses. Put Isaac in a strait-jacket—his case is absolutely hopeless, and he may become violent at any moment."

TOM P. MORGAN.

3.

A JINGLE IN "RAG-TIME."

THE IRONY OF FATE.

HE CAME to her in the quiet corner of a busy place, smiling and confident.

She raised her eyes and spoke, and then, seized with a sudden self-consciousness and timidity, she turned away.

He passed along with quiet, well-bred ease, and the graciousness of the place vanished with him, and a clash of currents left discomfort in the air.

For days and weeks she was haunted by that smile, and then she made a prayer.

"O Regulator of Things, it is not much I ask, only that in some future he may come again with that same smile and that same confidence from which in woman's weakness I turned away! It is not much I ask."

And with a shock of incredulity she heard this reply:

"In some future he will come again with that same smiling, gracious confidence. And you will meet his smile with a smile and his confidence with easy indifference. For when he comes again you will not care. It is not much you ask."

KATHRINE GROSJEAN.

WHEN a man attempts to explain he is lost; when a woman attempts to explain—well, he is lost just the same.

A WISE PRECAUTION.

HE HOLDS her hand for half an hour
While tender words they say,
For well he knows, thus in his power,
The piano she cannot play.

THEIR AWFUL FATE.

Mrs. Medders—"Yer 'fresh airs' gone hum?"

Mrs. Acors—"Yes, poor lambs! They're back in N' York, drinkin' that awful Ramypo water, which reeks with c'ruption."

STAN LAWS
BUDAPEST

JUDGE'S WORLD'S *FAIR*.

No. XXX.—HUNGARIAN RHAPSODY.

Bohemian, Magyar, Gypsy, Hun,
Woman and devil rolled in one,
The maddest music known to man
You tuned and taught the wild Tzigane.

Who fiercely woos you for his bride
Must fling you on his horse, and ride,
Ride like the—I mean o'er the level
Hungarian steppes, like a spirit of evil.

HIS SKEPTICISM.

Willie Reeder (joyously)—"Hoo-ee, Bob! Here's the latest number of the *Little Lads' Lurid Library*—all about Red Roderick, the bold boy-buccaneer, scourin' the Sargasso seas in his rakish craft. Want to read it?"

Bobby Thickneck (scornfully)—"Naw! Them yarns gimme a pain. I don't believe 'em any more."

Willie Reeder—"Wha-a-a-a-at! don't believe 'em?"

Bobby Thickneck—"That's right; I don't believe a blamed word of 'em. There ain't no more pirates nowadays. Dewey would swipe the whole push of 'em off the face of the ocean before they could say ''Scat!'"

BLESSED are the fools, for they are always in the majority.

4.

SOLVING A VEXED QUESTION.

"WHAT were these horrid things created for, anyway?" said Miss Bounce snappishly, picking a black ant off the back of her hand, where it had buried its nippers. None of her four companions being able to offer a satisfactory explanation on the spur of the moment, she continued dreamily, "One would think there was no necessity for water-bugs, mosquitoes, or snakes, either; and yet they are all supposed to have their uses."

"Yes," said Miss Muser, thoughtfully; "of course. And I *can* see a reason for mosquitoes and water-bugs."

"What!" in a surprised chorus.

"Hasn't everybody thought that out?" she exclaimed complacently. "Why, mosquitoes were made so as to furnish more work for the carpenters who supply window-screens, I believe; and water-bugs — well, where would the people be who manufacture insect-powder if it wasn't for water-bugs and such things? I'm sure, if I thought deeply enough, I could discover some motive for the creation of snakes and caterpillars, too."

Then the subject was dropped as presenting no more intricate problems for solution.

FRANCES A. SCHNEIDER.

CRUELLY DECEIVED.

MRS. YOUNGWED (*sobbing*)—"One of my chief reasons for marrying him was to have some one to play golf with that I could beat all the time."

FRIEND—"And won't he play with you now?"

MRS. YOUNGWED—"Ye-es; but he never lets me win a game. Boo-hoo!"

1. Once there was a kind lady who gave food to a flock of hungry sparrows.

2. In return for her kindness the grateful sparrows helped the kind lady. All went well till——

3. ——a bad boy came along.

A STITCH IN TIME.

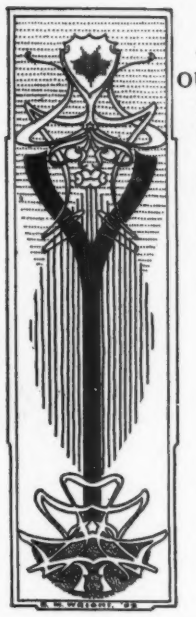
"BUT suppose," said the Chicago man whose timidity was indubitable evidence that he had lived in Chicago but a short time; "suppose that the next census fails to give us the anticipated two million inhabitants?"

"Impossible!" replied the nervy old urban pioneer. "The census report is already made out, ready for the date and signatures."

A PHRENOLOGIST'S REPLY.

SHE—"Jack, you're an amateur phrenologist. Now can you tell a man's character by the bumps upon his head?"

JACK—"Well, it depends upon how long he has been married."



A CROSS IN THE EXERCISES.

"YOU are making your service entirely too ritualistic," said the bishop decisively. "And I particularly object to the presence of the cross in the processional."

"Very well, sir," said the rector meekly; "it shall be used no longer. By the way, we shall have a choir rehearsal this afternoon, and I should be greatly pleased to have you attend and assist me with any suggestion that may occur to you."

At the rehearsal the choristers marched slowly up the aisle singing the well-known—

"Onward, Christian soldiers!
Marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus
Going on before."

On the repetition of the chorus the bishop noticed something unfamiliar in the well-known lines and bent his ear to listen. This is what he heard:

"Onward, Christian soldiers!
Marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus
Hid behind the door."

AGRICULTURAL ITEM.
Corn on the ear.

UNLOOKED-FOR ACCOMMODATION.

PARDSY—"Well, how happened it?"
SLOPPY—"I asked de farmer back dere, w'ot owns de cider-mill, fer a little nip, not t'inkin' he had a dog about de premises ter accommodate me."

SOMETHING AWFUL.

THE GIRLS— W'ot yer all dressed up fer, Willie—some of yer folks dead?"
WILLIE—"Worse 'an dat."
THE GIRLS—"Goin' ter be took to de dentist's?"
WILLIE—"Worse 'an dat."
THE GIRLS—"Gee, Willie! w'ot's goin' ter be did to yer?"
WILLIE—"I'm goin' ter have my picture took."

STAGNATION.

"GREAT snails!" ejaculated the late arrival as he wandered along the shore of the fabled river that washes the confines of the great hereafter, "but they are slow and out of date up here."

"Oh, I don't know," replied a listening shade.

"Well, I do. I came from the United States, and I just wish you could compare that old craft of Charon's with our battle-ship Oregon."

NO USE FOR IT.

Elder—"Why didn't your church join the others in praying for rain?"

Deacon—"We had just opened a gospel-tent."

AN EXPENSIVE JOB.

MRS. NEWLYWED—"You used to say that my image was engraved upon your heart."
MR. NEWLYWED—"So it was and is; but I had no idea that engravings cost so much, you know."

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SATISFIE

AMERICAN WORKINGMAN—"I WAN

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ISFIED.

"I WANT NO CHANGE!"

BOSTON SPELLING.

THIS is a joke on Sim Woodhead, but he doesn't know it. Sim and Lem Swigert were playing checkers in the office of Hicks's livery-stable the other day. "Lem, you know that Boston girl 'at's visitin' the Snodgrass girls?" inquired Sim as he arranged his checkers for a new game.

"Yep," assented Lem.

"Well, Lu Snodgrass ast me to he'p make her have a good time. I've been settin' up to her consider'ble, but she's been puttin on a heap o' lugs with me an' stringin' me along whenever she got a chanst. I've knowed all the time she was laughin' at me, fer she thought she was plum out o' sight 'cause she come from Boston. But I got one on her *now*."

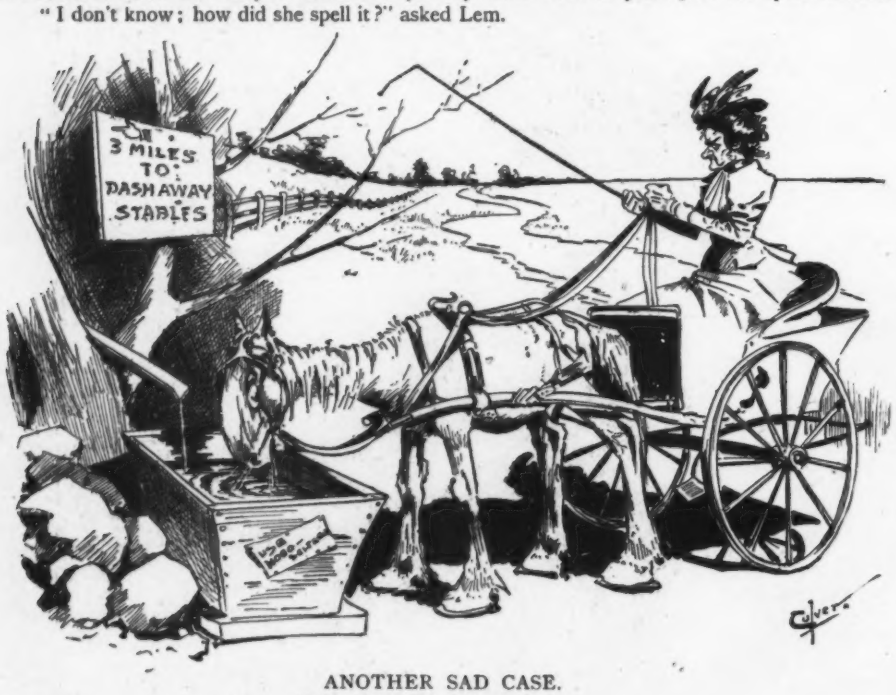
"How's 'at?" grunted Lem.

"Well, with all her Boston stuck-up airs and education she cain't spell—she's illiterut."

"Is she?" queried Lem with some interest.

"Shore!" said Sim. "I got a note frum her yistidy, tellin' me she couldn't take a drive with me this evenin', an' how do you reckon she spelt my name—how do you s'pose she spelt Simeon?"

"I don't know; how did she spell it?" asked Lem.



ANOTHER SAD CASE.
Driven to drink — by a woman.

LITTLE BUCKEYE—"Nice birdie, good birdie, don't fly away. Buckeye won't hurt you."
BIRD—"Aw, go wan; I may be a jay, but you can't bunco me like that."

"Well, sir," chuckled Sim gleefully, "she begun the note, 'My dear S-i-m-i-a-n'!"

"Well, 'at *is* one on her, ain't it?" agreed his friend. "Crown 'at man, will ye, please?" and the checker game went on.

And it was ever so. The felloes think they are speeding all around the hub, and they are, after a fashion, and in another way they are not.

SAM R. IRELAND.

LEIGH HUNT REVISED.

I KISSED Jenny when we met,
Leaning o'er the chair she sat in;
Time, you rogue, who love to get
Scandals on your list, put that in.
Tell the world, but let it know
That her summers are not many—
Jennie couldn't kiss me, so
I kissed Jenny.

A HAPPY LIFE.
COSTIGAN—"Cassidy 's married a woman thot weighs three hundred pounds."
CASEY—"Th' sly divil! He knows thot nobody can fight at thot weight."

Hettie—"Harry is a man always to be trusted. He has never deceived me." *Clara*—"But how do you know that?" *Hettie*—"Know it? Why, he told me so himself only last evening."—*Boston Transcript.*

Tutoring. Yale Senior, wintering South, prepares for college pupils who are not robust. Experienced; highest references. Arthur Lovell, 30 Grove St., New Haven, Conn.

The Prudential Insurance Company of America has just issued a handsome souvenir pamphlet on the international yacht-races. The souvenir contains handsome half-tone engravings of both the Shamrock and the Columbia, and also gives a short history of the attempts made by English yachtsmen to regain possession of the cup since it was captured by the America off the Isle of Wright in 1851. A copy of it will be sent free to any one who will write to the office of The Prudential, at Newark, New Jersey, mentioning JUDGE.

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Knowledge differs from Experience. You may know all about

BETWEEN THE ACTS

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While the English minister wants it understood that an ultimatum to the Boers is something dreadful, Krüger is acting as if he didn't think it was all the same in Dutch.—*Philadelphia Times.*

"Jones says his wife has one saving quality as a cook." "What is that?" "She doesn't try."—*Philadelphia Bulletin.*

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup is the best medicine for sore throat, laryngitis, quinsy or tonsilitis. Every drop of it soothes and heals. A twenty-five-cent bottle of this wonderful remedy will cure a cough or cold in one day.

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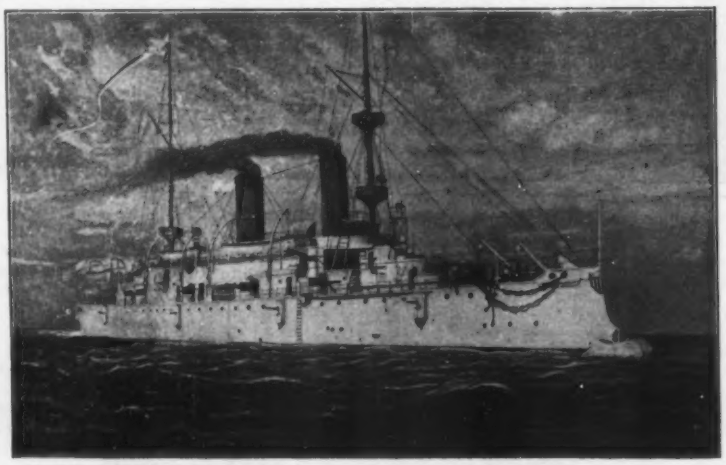

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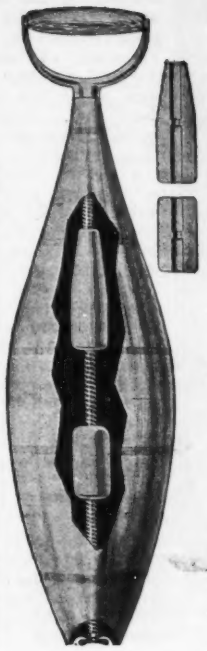

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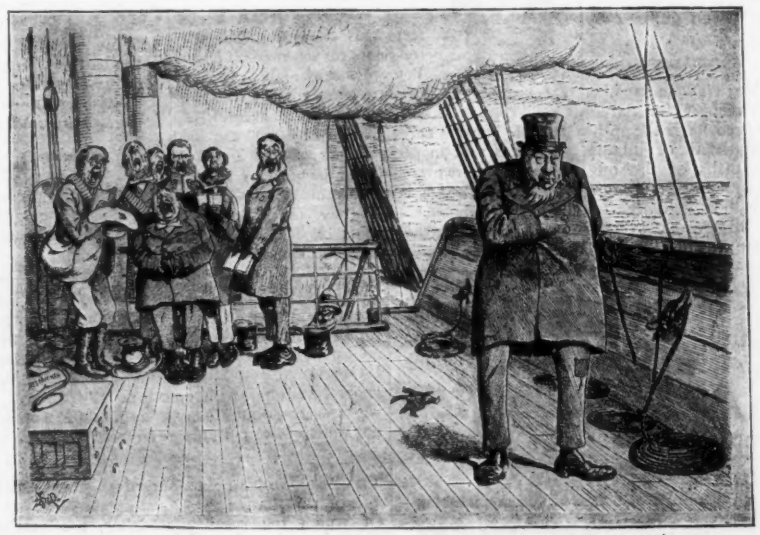

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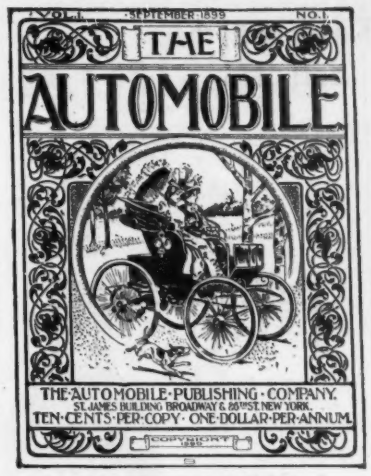

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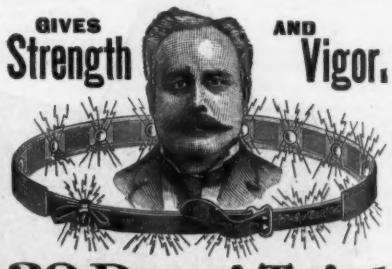

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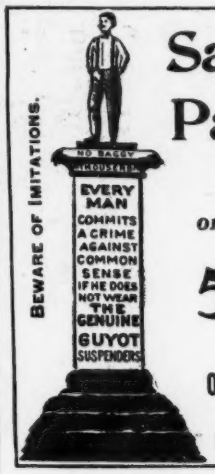

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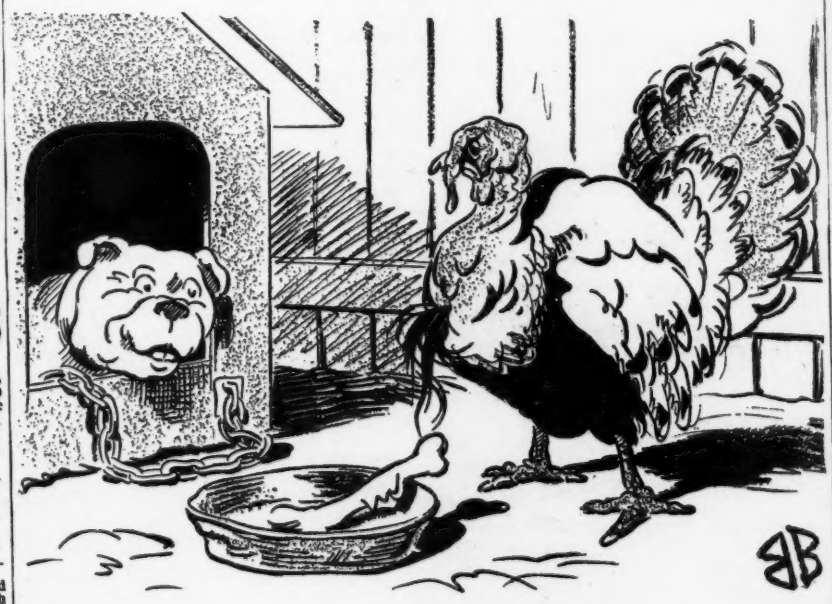

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